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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed February 5, 2002, please
amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 9, with the
following amended paragraph:

The present invention relates to a gene involved in actin dynamics in the
yeast *Aspergillus fumigatus* and more particularly to the identification, isolation and
cloning of this gene. This invention also relates to a method of using this gene to screen
for compounds with antifungal activity.

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